

IFW

PATENT

Case Docket No. SSTAY.002A

Date: May 25, 2004



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Shane S. Taylor, et al.

Appl. No. : 10/614,395

Filed : July 3, 2003

For : GAS VALVE

Examiner : Unknown

Group Art Unit : 3753

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all marked attachments are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on

May 25, 2004

(Date)

Mark Kertz

Mark J. Kertz, Reg. No. 43,711

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

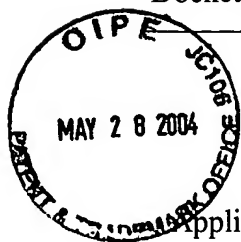
Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with 3 references, 1 of which is enclosed.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.

Mark Kertz

Mark J. Kertz
Registration No. 43,711
Attorney of Record
Customer No. 20,995
(949) 760-0404

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Applicant : Shane S. Taylor, et al.
App. No. : 10/614,395
Filed : July 3, 2003
For : GAS VALVE
Examiner : Unknown
Group Art Unit : 3753

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing 3 references 1 of which is enclosed.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 and before the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311. A certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is set forth below. Thus, no fee is required as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP

Dated: May 25, 2004

By: Mark Kertz

Mark J. Kertz
Registration No. 43,711
Attorney of Record
Customer No. 20,995
(949) 760-0404

FORM PTO-1449

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEATTY. DOCKET NO.
SSTAY.002AAPPLICATION NO.
10/614,395INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
BY APPLICANT

(USE SEVERAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

APPLICANT
Shane S. Taylor, et al.FILING DATE
July 3, 2003GROUP
3753

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE (IF APPROPRIATE)
	1	5,911,220	6/15/99	Morgan et al.			
	2	6,383,386	5/7/02	Penth et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	3	DE 40 06 465 A	September 5, 1991	Germany				

EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)	
	4	

H:\DOCS\MJK\MJK-7368.DOC
052404

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
*EXAMINER: INITIAL IF CITATION CONSIDERED, WHETHER OR NOT CITATION IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH MPEP 609; DRAW LINE THROUGH CITATION IF NOT IN CONFORMANCE AND NOT CONSIDERED, INCLUDE COPY OF THIS FORM WITH NEXT COMMUNICATION TO APPLICANT.	